

# Historic Preservation in Michigan

## Governor's Awards for Historic Preservation

Historic sites and other cultural resources are key components of communities where people want to live—and those that people want to visit. The rehabilitation of historic buildings through the use of federal and state historic preservation tax credits is a key economic development tool. In Michigan in 2009 the state and federal historic preservation tax credit programs resulted in private investment in historic building rehabilitations of \$554.8 million, leveraging an additional \$632.5 million of indirect investment for an overall economic impact of nearly \$1.2 billion.

With the Governor's Awards for Historic Preservation, Governor Granholm recognizes outstanding historic preservation achievements: homeowners who rehabilitate their homes, developers who transform underutilized historic structures into vital economic assets, academic institutions, archaeologists, educational projects that inspire people to preserve historic buildings, and policy makers who demonstrate commitment to the preservation of historic resources through innovative planning activities and collaboration with the private sector.

### 2010 Governor's Award Recipients

- The Friends of Point Betsie Lighthouse, Quinn Evans Architects, U.P. Engineers & Architects, Mihm Enterprises, Inc., Amy Ferris, Charles J. Clarke, and Benzie County Commissioner Mary Pitcher for the rehabilitation of the Point Betsie Light Station, Frankfort
- DeVries Companies, Cornerstone Architects, and Past Perfect for the rehabilitation of the Grand Rapids Water Filtration Plant
- The City of Kalamazoo and the Michigan Historic Preservation Network for the Kalamazoo Window Rehabilitation Workshops
- FNIPP, Inc.; the Protogenia Group, LLC; Siwek Construction; Gazall, Lewis & Associates Architects, Inc.; Kidorf Preservation Consulting; Perry Compton; and David White for the rehabilitation of 601 Martin Luther King (Witherbee's Market), Flint
- Leo D. Phillips, Richard Curto, Eugene M. Curtis, Emmett S. Moten, Doreen Hermelin, Quinn Evans Architects, Hobbs and Black Associates, Inc., and L. S. Brinker for the rehabilitation of the Fort Shelby Hotel, Detroit
- College for Creative Studies, Larson Realty Group, Walbridge, Albert Kahn Associates, Inc., and SDG Architects and Planners for the rehabilitation of the Argonaut Building, Detroit

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